

Amendments to the claims:

1. (previously presented) A hand-held power tool, comprising a housing, a barrel grip (10), a detachable top handle (12), which is embodied separately from said barrel grip, and an attaching device (14) for attaching said top handle (12) to said housing, wherein said detachable top handle (12) is substantially round-shaped, has a cross section permitting it to be grasped around with one hand of an operator, or is both substantially round-shaped and has a cross section permitting it to be grasped around by one hand of an operator.

2. (withdrawn – currently amended) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1, wherein said attaching ~~fastening~~ device (14) is provided for tool-free attachment and/or detachment of said top handle (12).

3. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1, wherein an on-off switch (18) is at least partially integrated into said top handle (12).

4. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 3, wherein a locking mechanism (20) for locking said on-off switch (18) is integrated into said top handle (12).

5. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 4, wherein said locking mechanism (20) has at least two at least largely decoupled actuating elements (22, 24).

6. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 5, wherein said actuating elements (22, 24) are situated on opposite sides of said top handle (12).

7. (withdrawn – currently amended) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 3, wherein said attaching fastening device (14) is at least partially integrally joined to a functional component of said on-off switch (18).

8. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 7, wherein a holding mechanism of said fastening device (14) is integrally joined to an actuator rod guide.

9. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 8, wherein said holding mechanism is comprised of a locking pin (26).

10. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool at least as recited in claim 3, wherein the on-off switch (18) at least partially integrated into the top handle (12) is at least in part integrally joined to a second on-off switch (28) at least partially integrated into the barrel grip (10).

11. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1, wherein said top handle (12) is provided to constitute a support surface (30, 32) for a back of a hand.

12. (original) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 11, wherein the support surface (32) is comprised of a soft elastic component (34).

13. (withdrawn) A top handle (12) for a hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1.

14. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1, wherein said top handle extends at least partially along said housing.

15. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1, wherein said top handle is configured as an arc.

16. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1, wherein said housing forms said barrel grip.

17. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1, wherein said barrel grip is configured so that it is aligned with a working direction.

18. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 1, wherein said housing is configured as an L-shaped housing.

19. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 5, wherein said actuating elements are configured so that they are actuatable directly by a user.

20. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 5, wherein said actuating elements are comprised of separate components.

21. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 5, wherein said actuating elements are arranged to provide a device useable for left-handers and right-handers with same requirements.

22. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 8, wherein said locking pin is a part of a detent mechanism and is moveable in opposition to a spring.

23. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 8, wherein said locking pin is hollow and wherein said guide rod is guided inside said locking pin.

24. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 10, wherein said part which is integrally joined with said on-off switch of said top handle and with said second on-off switch of said barrel grip is configured as an electrical switch.

25. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 10, wherein a detent mechanism comprises a retaining tab which locks said second on-off switch when said top handle is attached to said housing.

26. (withdrawn) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 11, wherein an open reach-through region is provided between the top handle and the barrel grip.

27. (withdrawn) A barrel jigsaw, comprising a housing, a barrel grip, a detachable top handle, which is configured separately from said barrel grip, and an attaching device for attaching said top handle to said housing.

28. (previously presented) A hand-held power tool, comprising a handle, an on-off switch at least partially integrated into said handle, and a locking mechanism for locking said on-off switch, wherein said locking mechanism has at least two at least largely decoupled actuating elements.

29. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 29, wherein said actuating elements are situated on opposite sides of said handle.

30. (previously presented) The hand-held power tool as recited in claim 29, wherein said actuating elements are comprised of separate components.